## SANTA CLARITA WATERSHED RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

A PUBLIC ENTITY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA EXERCISING JOINT POWERS OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 6500 ET SEQ.

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Governing Board** 

FROM:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FMCP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE:

**September 21, 2009** 

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the California Department of Fish and Game and the United States Army Corps of Engineers on the Draft Joint Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report for the Newhall Ranch Resource Management and Development Plan and Spineflower Conservation Plan (SCH No. 2000011025).

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a comment letter to the California Department of Fish and Game and the United States Army Corps of Engineers on the Draft Joint Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report for the Newhall Ranch Resource Management and Development Plan and Spineflower Conservation Plan (SCH No. 2000011025).

**Background:** A draft comment letter is attached. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and the Desert and Mountain Conservation Authority adopted essentially the same letter.